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The release of features in Windows XP is yet another attempt by MS to use their OS to dominate the next big market segment (not simply gain some leverage). This should send a clear signal (for the umpteenth time) that they simply cannot be trusted to uphold the SPRIRIT of any agreement that tries to make them play fair. Now I use their OSes quite a bit but I wouldn't mind some freedom of choice with respect to how to use them. And it is not even the multimedia bundling that scares me most. Forcing users to use the Passport feature for services that previously did not require it is chilling. They're basically beginning to dictate how people do things on the Internet. They will in short order have a user base of several million users for a brand new service that just happens to be the next big Internet offering. Not bad for a new feature. With some luck, the project liberty consortium may blunt the move somewhat but come on, isn't this story getting tiring? I don't even think the folks at MS can help themselves. They're simply addicted to power and control and are in bad need of rehab.